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NEA EYES ONLY FOR ATHERTON FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O.: 11652: GDS

TAGS: OGEN, SA, OTRA

SUBJ: AMBASSADOR AKINS TESTIFYING BEFORE HAMILTON/CHURCH  
SUB-COMMITTEES

REF : STATE 129168

1. I NOW HAVE MY HOME LEAVE ORDERS (THANKS) AND PLAN TO  
LEAVE AS SOON AS A FEW PRESSING MATTERS HERE ARE SETTLED.  
MY CURRENT PLAN IS TO LEAVE JIDDA AROUND JUNE 17, STOP A  
DAY IN EUROPE AND GET TO NEW YORK THE AFTERNOON OF JUNE  
19, COMING TO WASHINGTON FOR THE WEEKEND.

2. I NOTE THAT THE HAMILTON SUB-COMMITTEE ON ARMS SALES  
TO THE PERSIAN GULF COUNTRIES WILL MEET ON JUNE 18TH AND  
THE CHURCH SUB COMMITTEE ON MULTINATIONAL COMPANIES AND  
CORRUPTION ON THE 23RD. I WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE OVERJOYED  
TO TESTIFY BEFORE EITHER, BUT WILL, OF COURSE, IF THE  
DEPARTMENT WISHES ME TO.

3. ACTION REQUESTED:

A. WILL THE DEPARTMENT WISH ME TO TESTIFY BEFORE EITHER  
COMMITTEE? (I AM ALREADY ASSEMBLYING DOCUMENTATION.)

B. DO YOU KNOW IF EITHER COMMITTEE PLANS TO ASK ME TO  
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TESTIFY? (I KNOW THAT A QUERY FROM US NOW WOULD VERY

LIKELY PROVOKE A POSITIVE RESPONSE.)

C. IF THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT RPT NOT WISH ME TO TESTIFY,  
THEN I WOULD SUGGEST THAT I TAKE MY HOME LEAVE WITHOUT  
CHECKING IN TO THE DEPARTMENT. I WOULD THEN HAVE MY  
NORMAL CONSULTATION SOMETIME IN JULY OR AUGUST. ALTER-  
NATIVELY, IN EXTREMIS, I COULD POSTPONE ARRIVAL IN THE  
STATES UNTIL SOMETIME AFTER JUNE 25TH.

D. PLEASE ADVISE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.  
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